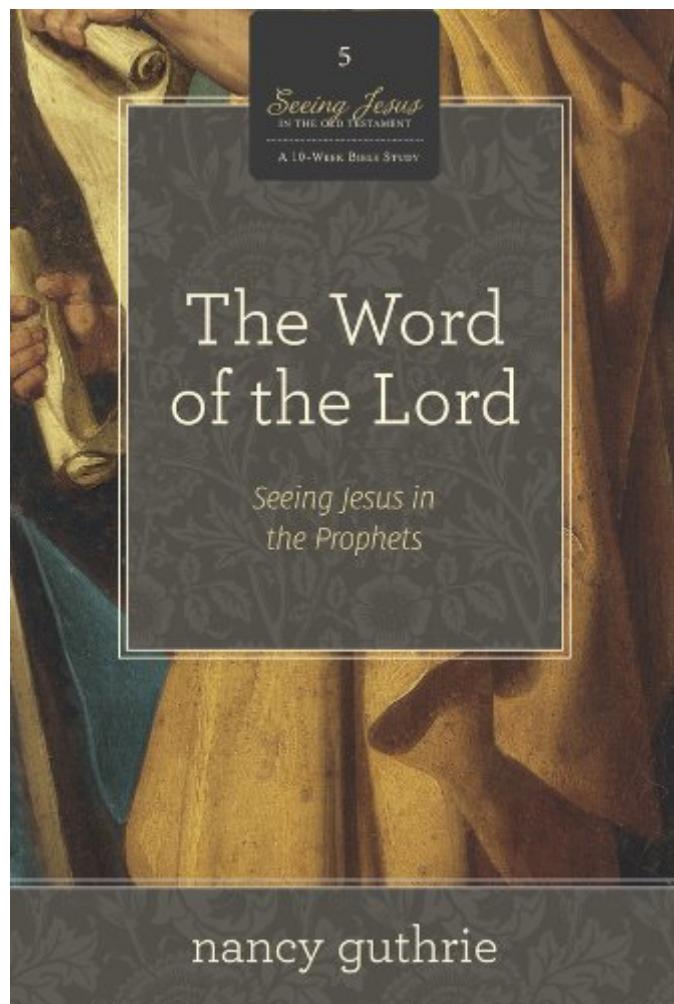


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# The Word Of The Lord (A 10-week Bible Study): Seeing Jesus In The Prophets



## **Synopsis**

Gain a fresh perspective on the prophets when you join Bible teacher Nancy Guthrie on this incredible journey to see Jesus in the Old Testament! This 2-disc DVD companion to *The Word of the Lord* book features ten 40-minute sessions of Nancy Guthrie teaching with contagious passion and theological precision. Her engaging personal stories and authentic conversational style will help your group effectively study the Old Testament Prophetic Books, highlighting how they testify to Israel's final redemption and ultimate hope: Jesus the Messiah. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Hers is a name that I have seen more and more frequently over the past year on the blogs I frequent as well as on Facebook amongst my friends. Until recently, however, I had known very little about Nancy Guthrie, and so I decided to pick up one of her books for a review. *The Word of the Lord* is part of her series *Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament* which are Bible studies aimed at helping women read Old Testament (OT) books with an eye toward their fulfillment in the gospel.

The Word of the Lord looks specifically at nine of the prophets, arranged chronologically, beginning with Jonah. Her treatment of each prophet consists of a personal Bible study, a teaching chapter, a "looking forward" section (situating the prophet in light of Jesus' return), and a discussion guide. Her design is that an individual would devotionally use the personal Bible study to walk through the biblical text, and then use the teaching chapter and the looking forward section to prepare for a corporate Bible study. She then gives the discussion guide to facilitate a group exploration of the text week-to-week. These housekeeping details aside, I'd like to use the bulk of this review in reflection on Guthrie's overall purpose and method, and then offer a few closing comments by way of evaluation.

**Purpose and Method** Do you find the OT to be rather daunting? Intimidating? Where do you even start? Especially when it comes to the prophetic writings, we often find ourselves a bit lost in the labyrinth of strange words, peculiar poetry, and hard-to-pronounce names. Sure, there's an occasional well-known story (Daniel and the Lion's Den), or poem (The Suffering Servant in Isaiah 53, traditionally read around Christmas), or inspirational coffee mug verse (Jeremiah 29:11 anyone?)

**Title:** The Word of the Lord: Seeing Jesus in the Prophets **Author:** Nancie Guthrie **Publisher:** Crossway **Year:** 2014 **Pages:** 272 **Seeing Jesus in the Old Testament** [Disclaimer: I was provided with a free copy of this book (e-book) via Crossway Publishers online. I was not required to write a positive review and I was not compensated in any way.]

Back in 2010 the publishers of Modern Reformation magazine decided to devote an entire magnanimous year to Scripture. Eric Landry wrote in an editorial, "The theme for this year was born out of the conviction that we all need to recover Scripture: in our churches, in our devotional lives, as the source of our theology, and as the living voice of God today" (MR, Jan/Feb 2010). I actually happen to agree with Landry even if there are a plethora of points at which we might disagree concerning just how such a task might come about in our time. His thought reminds me of a young king just ascended to the throne of Judah who wanted to make things right in the land. So he started with temple repairs when he was in the 18th year of his reign. Yet it was something else that ended up being the catalyst for renewal he was looking for. While the workers were working the high priest, Hilkiah, said, "I have found the Book of the Law in the temple of the Lord." Well, to be sure, it's not like the Book of the Law had ever been far from anyone, let alone the priest. And it has always struck me as odd that the book was 'found' just around the time the king asked for repairs to the temple, but that's another story. My point is that here in America, not one of us is far from the Word of God and yet I suspect that most of us are a couple of miles away.

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